GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4310
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PURCHASE OF MACHINES BY BCCL
BASUDEB ACHARIA

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a): the amount spent by BCCL in buying coal cutting machines and earth moving equipment till January 01,2000;

(b): the details of machines in operation, lying idle and in break down condition; and

(c): the capital blocked in such machines and the amount drained as depreciation, indicating the interest being incurred thereon during 2000-2001 ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a): The amount spent by BCCL in buying earth moving equipment for the last nine years is Rs. 393 crores. BCCL has not purchased any coal cutting machines for the last nine years.

(b): The details of machines in operation, lying idle and in break down condition are as under:-

HEMM	In operation	Idle	Under breakdown
	642	Nil	73

All coal cutting machines are obsolete. However, four machines are under operation.

(c): The details of capital blocked in such machines and the amount drained as depreciation, the interest being incurred thereon during 2000-2001 are as under :

I) HEMM

(Rs. In crores)

	Investment 2000-01	Depreciation 2000-01	Interest
HEMM IDLE	NIL	NIL	NIL
HEMM BEAKDOWN	40.0	4.54	2.61

These HEMM, after repair, will again be utilised.

II) CCM

Capital Blocked : Nil
Depreciation & Interest in 2000-01 : Nil